

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re application of | : | |
| Szu-Min Lin, et al. | : | |
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RESPONSE ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

May 13, 2008

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Sir:

This is a response accompanying the Request for Continued Examination that is believed to address all issues remaining in a Final Office Action mailed on November 13, 2007, having a shortened three-month period to respond which has been extended to May 13, 2008, with a three-month extension of time, attached herewith. In response, the Applicants submit the following remarks.

A Complete Listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this Response.

The Remarks Section begins on page 6 of this Response.